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Illinois Liquor Control Commission
Guidance for Public Act 102-0008
Hospitality Vaccination Incentive

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On June 2, 2021, Governor Pritzker signed Senate Bill 104 which authorized retail licensees to provide a single alcoholic beverage to consumers from June 10, 2021 to July 10, 2021 under express restrictions identified in the statute.

The Act authorizes the Illinois Liquor Control Commission to provide guidelines for the implementation of the Hospitality Vaccination Incentive consistent with the statute. Such guidance is as follows:

1. Beginning at 6:00 pm on June 10, 2021, a retail licensee may provide one alcoholic liquor drink ("drink") at no charge to a person 21 or over under the following conditions:
 - a. The retail licensee shall not provide a drink for vaccination at no charge prior to June 10, 2021 and not after July 10, 2021;
 - b. The retail licensee shall not provide a drink prior to 6:00 pm and not after 10:00 pm (local times) on any eligible day;
 - c. The retail licensee publicly advertises the drink giveaway promotion at the business location, on its website, or through various forms of social media; and,
 - d. The retail licensee requires proof of:
 - i. Age and identity by showing a valid form of federal or State identification; and,
 - ii. Full vaccination against the COVID-19 virus by requiring a vaccination card in which the name on the vaccination card matches the valid form of federal or State identification. Vaccination cards shall be issued by the Federal Center for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), a similar foreign government agency or known vaccination provider.
2. Providing a drink at no charge is a voluntary act by the retail licensee. There is no requirement that a retail licensee provide a drink at no charge. In addition, a retail licensee:
 - a. May further restrict the days and times it chooses to offer a drink at no charge (e.g. from Monday-Friday, 7pm-9pm);
 - b. May choose or limit which drinks it will offer at no charge (e.g. beer but not spirits, wine but not beer);
 - c. May determine the size or volume of a drink or alcoholic liquor in a drink not to exceed 1.5 ounces of spirits, 5 ounces of wine, or 12 ounces of beer.
3. A Local Liquor Control Commission may prohibit retail licensees in its local jurisdiction from participating in the Vaccination Incentive Program. If the Local Liquor Control Commissioner does

not expressly prohibit a retail licensee from providing drinks as part of the Vaccination Incentive Program, then it is permitted.

4. Prior to participating in the Vaccination Incentive Program, a retail licensee must establish procedures to ensure that a person does not obtain more than one drink at no charge on the same day or on any subsequent day after a person receives a drink at no charge.
5. The Illinois Liquor Control Commission will investigate any incident of non-compliance with the provisions of Hospitality Vaccination Incentive program and will hold retail licensees accountable for failing to strictly adhere to statutory mandates.